NEWS RELEASE

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FULL FREEWAY CLOSURE SCHEDULED FOR BRIDGE MAINTENANCE (UPDATE)

LOS ANGELES COUNTY- The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close various northbound and southbound lanes and overcrossings (bridges over the freeway) of the Golden State Freeway (I-5), nightly, Monday, April 25 through Sunday, May 1, weather permitting, to perform bridge maintenance work. The closure schedule is as follows:

Northbound I-5: Nightly, April 25 through May 1, from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m.

- Olive Avenue/Verdugo Avenue off-ramp.(Burbank)
- Northbound I-5 connector to westbound Simi Valley Freeway (SR-118). (Pacoima)

Southbound I-5: Nightly, April 25 through May 1, from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

• Up to two lanes from Sierra Highway to Balboa Boulevard. (Sylmar)

Southbound SR-14: Nightly, April 25 through May 1, from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m.

• Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14) connector to southbound I-5. (Newhall Pass)

Caltrans will also close all lanes of the southbound Golden State Freeway (I-5), from Weldon Canyon Road (approximately 3 miles south of Calgrove Boulevard) to Balboa Boulevard, nightly, Friday, April 29, 11:59 p.m. until 6 a.m., and Saturday, April 30, 11 p.m. until 7 a.m., weather permitting, to perform bridge maintenance work.

Bridge maintenance will lead to longer lasting structures. Truesdell Construction is the contractor. The project is scheduled for completion in spring 2005.

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